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Re:

Central Research Institute of Electric Power Industry

U.S. Continuation Patent Application of

U.S. Serial No. 09/979,822

Inventor: H. Itoh

For: UNIT CELL OF FLAT SOLID OXIDE FUEL CELL AND FUEL CELL STACK COMPRISING THE SAME

Our Ref.: G110-040 CON

Sir:

The above-identified utility patent application is transmitted herewith for filing.

Enclosed are:

- 1. <u>44</u> Pages English Appln., including <u>13</u> Claims and 1 Pg. Abstract;
- 2. 11 Sheets of Drawings, Figs. 1-11;
- 3. Copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney from parent case Serial No. 09/979,822, filed November 26, 2001 (2 Pgs.); and
- 4. Check Amt. \$ 770.00 No. 5802 (Filing Fee-Large Entity).

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Further, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 14-1431.

Respectfully submitted,

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